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Claim amendments

Claims 1-14 (canceled).

~~15~~¹ (previously presented) An insect station, comprising:

a) a cup selected from the group of paper and plastic cups, wherein the cup comprises a sidewall, a floor integral with the sidewall, and a cup opening formed by the sidewall and being opposite of the floor, wherein the cup opening has a diameter;

b) a base having a width greater than the diameter of the cup opening, wherein the base includes a base opening, wherein the base opening opens through the base, wherein the cup is insertable into the base opening, wherein the base confronts the cup about the sidewall of the cup, and wherein the base and base opening are sized relative to the cup such that an end portion of the cup engages the base and such that an opposite end portion of the cup may extend through the base opening;

c) a cover engagable to the base, wherein the cover has a width greater than a width of the base opening; and

d) wherein one of the base and cover includes a key and wherein the other of the base and cover includes a keyhole, wherein the key is brought into the keyhole by drawing the base and cover together, and wherein the key is locked into the keyhole by rotating the cover relative to the base.

~~16~~² (previously presented) The insect station according to claim 15, wherein the cover and base are shaped such that the key must be flexed before it can be inserted or withdrawn from the keyhole.

~~17~~³ (previously presented) The insect station according to claim 15, wherein the cover and base are shaped such that the key must be flexed before the key can be locked into or unlocked from

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the keyhole.

Claims 18-19 (canceled).

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~~4~~²⁰. (previously presented) An insect station, comprising:

- a) a cup selected from the group of paper and plastic cups, wherein the cup comprises a sidewall, a floor integral with the sidewall, and a cup opening formed by the sidewall and being opposite of the floor, wherein the cup opening has a diameter;
- b) a base having a width greater than the diameter of the cup opening, wherein the base includes a base opening, wherein the base opening opens through the base, wherein the cup is insertable into the base opening, wherein the base confronts the cup about the sidewall of the cup, and wherein the base and base opening are sized relative to the cup such that an end portion of the cup engages the base and such that an opposite end portion of the cup may extend through the base opening;
- c) a cover engagable to the base, wherein the cover has a width greater than a width of the base opening; and
- d) wherein the cover comprises a leg, wherein the leg engages the cover to the base, wherein the leg spaces the cover from the base, wherein the leg includes a first foot extending on a first side of a portion of the base and wherein said leg includes a second foot extending on an opposing side of said portion of the base, wherein said first foot and said second foot run transverse to an axis of the cover and base to minimize movement of the cover and base along said axis when the leg is engaged to the base, and wherein said first foot and said second foot permit rotation of the cover and base relative to each other to permit the leg to be brought into position to be disengaged from the base.

~~21~~⁵. (previously presented) An insect station, comprising:

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a) a cup selected from the group of paper and plastic cups, wherein the cup comprises a sidewall, a floor integral with the sidewall, and a cup opening formed by the sidewall and being opposite of the floor, wherein the cup opening has a diameter;

b) a base having a width greater than the diameter of the cup opening, wherein the base includes a base opening, wherein the base opening opens through the base, wherein the cup is insertable into the base opening, wherein the base confronts the cup about the sidewall of the cup, and wherein the base and base opening are sized relative to the cup such that an end portion of the cup engages the base and such that an opposite end portion of the cup may extend through the base opening; and

c) a network of lines, wherein the network is disposed in the cup, wherein the network includes a height sufficient to extend between about the floor of the cup and at least to a height defined by the opening of the cup such that insects may utilize the network as a ladder to climb into and out of the cup.

Claims 22-24 (canceled).

6 ~~25~~. (currently amended) An insect station, comprising:

a) a cup selected from the group of paper and plastic cups, wherein the cup comprises an endless sidewall, a floor integral with the sidewall, and a cup opening formed by the sidewall and being opposite of the floor, wherein the cup opening has a diameter, wherein the sidewall includes an upper edge forming the cup opening;

b) a base having a width greater than the diameter of the cup opening, wherein the base includes a base opening, wherein the cup is insertable into the base opening, wherein the base confronts the cup about the sidewall of the cup;

c) a retainer for confronting each of the base and the cup when the cup is engaged in the base, wherein the retainer engages

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the base and confronts the base about at least a portion of the base opening, wherein the retainer confronts the cup about at least a portion of the upper edge of the cup;

d) a cover engagable to the base and spaced from the retainer, wherein the cover has a width greater than a width of the base opening; ~~and~~

e) wherein at least one of the base, cover, and combination of the base and cover comprises an insect opening for access by an insect to the cup; and

f) wherein the retainer includes a tapered portion, wherein the base includes an axis, wherein the retainer is engagable with the base when the tapered portion of the retainer tapers along the axis in one direction, and wherein the retainer is engagable with the base when the tapered portion of the retainer tapers along the axis in the other direction such that the retainer is engagable with the base when the retainer is turned right-side up and upside-down relative to the base.

Claim 26 (canceled).

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727. (previously presented) An insect station, comprising:

a) a cup selected from the group of paper and plastic cups, wherein the cup comprises an endless sidewall, a floor integral with the sidewall, and a cup opening formed by the sidewall and being opposite of the floor, wherein the cup opening has a diameter, wherein the sidewall includes an upper edge forming the cup opening;

b) a base having a width greater than the diameter of the cup opening, wherein the base includes a base opening, wherein the cup is insertable into the base opening, wherein the base confronts the cup about the sidewall of the cup;

c) a retainer for confronting each of the base and the cup when the cup is engaged in the base, wherein the retainer engages the base and confronts the base about at least a portion of the

base opening, wherein the retainer confronts the cup about at least a portion of the upper edge of the cup;

d) a cover engagable to the base, wherein the cover has a width greater than a width of the base opening;

e) wherein at least one of the base, cover, and combination of the base and cover comprises an insect opening for access by an insect to the cup; and

f) wherein one of the base and cover includes a key and wherein the other of the base and cover includes a keyhole, wherein the key is brought into the keyhole by drawing the base and cover together, and wherein the key is locked into the keyhole by rotating the cover relative to the base.

Claims 28-31 (canceled).

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~~8~~ 32. (previously presented) An insect station comprising:

a) a first piece having a receptacle;

b) a second piece engagable to the first piece, wherein the first and second pieces with the receptacle form a harborage for insects when the first and second pieces are engaged to each other;

c) wherein one of the first and second pieces includes a key and wherein the other of the first and second pieces includes a keyhole, wherein the key is brought into the keyhole by drawing the first and second pieces together, and wherein the key is locked into the keyhole by relatively rotating the first and second pieces; and

d) wherein the first and second pieces are shaped such that the key must be flexed before it can be inserted or withdrawn from the keyhole.

~~9~~ 33. (previously presented) An insect station comprising:

a) a first piece having a receptacle;

b) a second piece engagable to the first piece, wherein the

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first and second pieces with the receptacle form a harborage for insects when the first and second pieces are engaged to each other;

c) wherein one of the first and second pieces includes a key and wherein the other of the first and second pieces includes a keyhole, wherein the key is brought into the keyhole by drawing the first and second pieces together, and wherein the key is locked into the keyhole by relatively rotating the first and second pieces; and

d) wherein the first and second pieces are shaped such that the key must be flexed before the key can be locked into or unlocked from the keyhole.

Claim 34 (canceled).

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~~1035.~~ (previously presented) An insect station comprising:

a) a first piece having a receptacle;

b) a second piece engagable to the first piece, wherein the first and second pieces with the receptacle form a harborage for insects when the first and second pieces are engaged to each other;

c) wherein the harborage includes an entrance that also serves as an exit from the harborage; and

d) wherein the entrance includes a flap foldable between a relatively closed position and a relatively open position whereby a size of the entrance may be adjusted, and wherein the flap comprises a tip, wherein the tip extends into the harborage such that an insect attempting to leave the harborage encounters the tip.

~~11 36.~~ (currently amended) An insect station comprising:

a) a harborage for insects;

b) wherein the harborage includes an entrance that also serves as an exit from the harborage; and

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c) wherein said entrance is adjustable in size depending upon a type of insect to be trapped; and

d) wherein the harborage further comprises a tip disposed adjacent said entrance and extending in a direction into the harborage such that said tip awaits an insect upon the insect's attempted exit from the harborage through said exit.

Claim 37 (canceled).

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¹²38. (currently amended) An insect station comprising:

a) a harborage for insects;

b) wherein the harborage includes an entrance that also serves as an exit from the harborage;

c) wherein said entrance is adjustable in size depending upon a type of insect to be trapped; and

d) ~~The insect station of claim 36,~~ wherein the harborage further comprises a portion forming said entrance and another portion spaced from the entrance, wherein said portion forming said entrance is of a relatively dark color to minimize transmission of light through said entrance, and wherein said another portion transmits light.

¹³39. (currently amended) An insect station comprising:

a) a harborage for insects;

b) wherein the harborage includes an entrance that also serves as an exit from the harborage;

c) wherein said entrance is adjustable in size depending upon a type of insect to be trapped; and

d) ~~The insect station of claim 36,~~ wherein said entrance is adjustable in size by manipulating a flap.

Claims 40-42 (canceled).

¹⁴43. (previously presented) The insect station according to

claim 15, wherein the insect station is adaptable to be set in the ground.

15 ~~44~~. (previously presented) The insect station according to claim 15, wherein the insect station is adaptable to be hung in position for flying insects.

16 ~~45~~. (previously presented) The insect station according to claim 25, wherein the insect station is adaptable to be set in the ground.

17 ~~46~~. (previously presented) The insect station according to claim 25, wherein the insect station is adaptable to be hung in position for flying insects.

Claims 47-48 (canceled).

18 ~~47~~. (previously presented) The insect station according to claim 36, wherein the insect station is adaptable to be set in the ground.

19 ~~48~~. (previously presented) The insect station according to claim 36, wherein the insect station is adaptable to be hung in position for flying insects.

Claims 51-52 (canceled).